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BRAINERD CARNIVAL DAY FEBRUARY 10

REGULAR CLUB DINNER CHAMBER COMMERCE

To Be Given January 10 Under Direction of the House and Entertainment Committee of Club

Preparations Made to Feed 200, A Splendid Menu Provided---Phil Sheridan's Regiment

The house committee of the Chamber of Commerce met last night and outlined proceedings and plans for the next club dinner of the Chamber of Commerce to be held on Wednesday evening, January 10, and steps will be taken to feed 200.

The equipment has been doubled and more tables have been bought. After the meeting follows the regular club meeting, with election of officers, the reading of committee men's reports, etc.

Here is the menu:

Prime Roast Beef Brown Gravy
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S. V. English—Salads, Etc.

H. L. Jones, Frank Hall, Lowry Smith—Coffee Urn.

Fred T. Lincoln, who supplies the Pep—Condiment Table.

Chairman George Phil. Sheridan, Tickets.

NATION CAN DRAFT TO FILL RESERVES

Washington, Dec. 29.—Every able-bodied male citizens of the United States between the ages of eighteen and forty-five years is held liable for service in the national guard in war time, without further act of congress, by war department regulations for the government of the guard issued under the national defense act.

In a circular prepared nearly two months ago, but only just made public, the militia bureau directs that where a national guard regiment is called out for war service, a resurve training battalion to fill vacancies at the front shall be organized out of the national guard reserve and by voluntary enlistment.

"If for any reason," the order continues, "there shall not be enough reservists or enough voluntary enlistments to organize or to keep the reserve battalions at prescribed strength, a sufficient number of the unorganized military shall be drafted by the president to maintain such battalion or lesser unit at the prescribed strength."

TWO MEN BLOWN TO ATOMS

Nitroglycerin Blast Shakes Country for Miles Around.

Sapulpa, Okla., Dec. 29.—Explosion of a wagon load of nitroglycerin, bound for the oil fields, shook the country for miles around.

Two men with the wagon probably were blown to atoms, as no trace of their bodies has been found.

The explosion occurred five miles west of Feifer, about ten miles from here.

Heavy damage to plate glass windows was done in Sapulpa. The blast was heard for twenty-five miles.

SAW MILL STRIKE FAILS

Threatened Walkout in Lumber Camps Does Not Materialize.

Virginia, Minn., Dec. 29.—The threatened strike of the workmen in the Virginia and Rainy Lake Lumber company's mills did not materialize as promised by I. W. W. leaders.

Will not Succeed in Peace Efforts is the Opinion

(By United Press)

Berlin, Dec. 29—Judging from unofficial reports from the front and from diplomatic comments the peace efforts of President Wilson, the Central Powers and Switzerland will not succeed immediately in bringing the war to a close. That the war will not end without the Allies making another gigantic concentrated effort to break the German front is indicated by the artillery preparations now being made. England in the west, her allies in Greece, Russia in Rumania apparently expect to accept Von Hindenberg's challenge for winter battle.

When the battles begin the peace talk will probably subside to await the outcome of the battles. It is believed that England intends to give Lloyd-George a trial as premier and considerable depends on his efforts as to whether the peace talk is revived again in the summer or fall after the issue is again tested by the men of steel on the fighting front. Germany expresses confidence in defeating the attempts beginning between Lille and Ypres where a new English offensive is expected and the Germans are fully prepared. In Macedonia something appears to be developing and it is thought Gen. Serrail will make another attempt at breaking the center German lines.

This is the first note or definite statement from Berlin telling that Germany does not expect peace at once and the public belief that the allies will make one more grand attempt before talking peace.

Lawson is Wanted to Give Information

(By United Press)

Washington, Dec. 29—R. L. Henry, chairman of the house committee on rules, has wired Thomas Lawson to come to Washington at once for a conference if he had any information regarding leaks from Washington on President Wilson's peace note.

BRITAIN IS LIKELY TO BUY DRINK TRADE

London, Dec. 29.—The purchase of the drink trade in Great Britain by the state is believed to be imminent, the Daily Express says.

"The matter has been closely considered by the liquor control board during the last fortnight," the newspaper continues. "Several members of the board have long advocated the purchase and the change in the government has brought a renewal of their argument."

The Express quotes Sir Thomas Whitaker, member of parliament, as saying that David Lloyd-George, the prime minister, is known to favor the proposal.

SMOKER SHOT IN THE LIP

Attempt to Clip Ashes From Cigar With Bullet Fails.

Bozeman, Mont., Dec. 29.—Ed Sullivan was brought here from Manhattan suffering from a bullet wound in his upper lip.

A friend attempted to shoot the askes off a cigar in Sullivan's mouth. The bullet missed the mark.

REPRESENTATIVE HULL.

Wants Trade Agreement Congress After Peace Treaty.

Photo © by American Press Association.

Representative Hull of Tennessee says that neutral nations should exert their influence to secure in any peace treaty that may be negotiated between the belligerent powers the adoption of a provision for an international trade agreement congress.

Mr. Hull announced his intention to introduce in the house a resolution embodying his idea. He believes that such an agreement is vital to the maintenance of peaceful relations between the powers.

Railway Refusal May Cause Strikes

New York, Dec. 29—The refusal of the railways to agree to the operation of the Adamson 8-hour law with the subsequent $5,000,000 monthly increase in salaries for railway employees, beginning January 1, may produce sporadic strikes on roads throughout the country. The employees insist on the law being put in force but the railways refuse to accept the terms of the law until a decision is given by the United States supreme court. A compromise similar to that effected with the switchmen's union was refused by the brotherhood.

Brainerd is to have a Carnival Day of its own on February 10, a direct result of the splendid boosting for Brainerd which the Northern Pacific Marching club is doing and the cooperation accorded by C. C. Kyle, former Brainerd man now in charge of the big office building of the Northern Pacific railway company at St. Paul.

It has pleased Mr. Kyle and other Northern Pacific men and St. Paul Carnival Association people at the fine showing Brainerd will make January 27 and the St. Paul people will reciprocate and will come to Brainerd, 1200 uniformed people, in two special trains and make Brainerd's Carnival Day a winner from the very start.

President Crust was authorized to appoint a committee on arrangements. To make the carnival a success in Brainerd, President Crust said every agency in the city, every organization, business men, Chamber of Commerce, citizens in general, all can help to make the day a great one for Brainerd and the many visitors expected.

The day in Brainerd will have all the carnival features, a big parade, carnival sports, skiing, tobogganning, racing, sports of all kinds, and invitations will be addressed to the people of Crookston, Bemidji and all the other neighboring towns to participate.

Matters pertaining to the "Brainerd Carnival Day" were discussed at the general meeting of the marching club held at Gardner auditorium last night.

And it was an enthusiastic meeting. Two hundred and fifty men marched and countermarched to the strains of the marching club band. A general drill was carried out with satisfaction to the commandant, Major J. F. Elkins.

In the contest for carnival queen, the vote stands as follows:

Miss Orne	301
Miss Dahl	213
Miss Lawrence	51
Miss Elkins	20

Sir Cecil Spring-Rice About to be Recalled

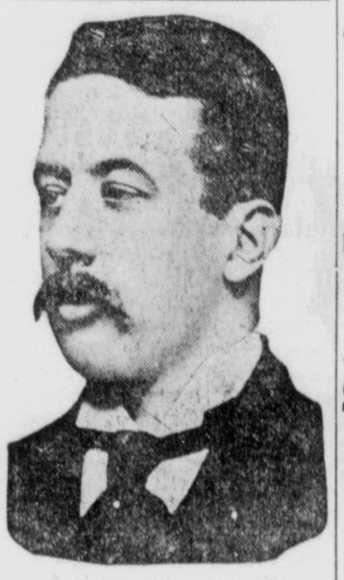
Washington, Dec. 29—Reports from London that the foreign office is considering the recall of Ambassador Sir Cecil Spring-Rice has caused no surprise here. The ambassador has not been in good health recently and it is also well known that Lord Northcliffe, who opposes Rice, has suggested that an ambassadorial change here be made.

Military Dictator of France and His Wife

General Hubert Lyautey, long kept in Morocco by French politicians, who feared to let him have a hand in the management of the war, has now become virtually military dictator of France. He has been given greater power than is possessed by any other single person in any government of the allies. A few days after he was recalled from Morocco and chosen as one of the war council of five that body passed a resolution in which he has been given supreme power.

DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE.

Sets Jan. 18 for Opening of Canadian Parliament.



Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 29.—The Canadian parliament will open Jan. 18, according to a proclamation made public here over the signature of the Duke of Devonshire, governor general.

Pirates Board Ship Plunder and Loot Assault Passengers

(By United Press)

Tokio, Dec. 29—300 persons, mostly Chinese laborers, perished in the wreck of the Sankaku Maru, which vessel grounded off Chefoo and went to pieces according to estimates. Some of the victims, the survivors said, were killed by Chinese pirates who boarded the grounded ship, plundered the passengers, looted the stores and assaulted those aboard.

Government to Give Carranza Some Concessions

(By United Press)

Washington, Dec. 29—That this government is about to relax its position on the Mexican situation and even to make some conecssions to Gen. Carranza in connection with the withdrawal of the expeditionary column is the growing belief in congressional circles here. From sources close in touch with President Wilson and Secretary Lansing suggestions are made that Gen. Pershing's column ought to be withdrawn in spite of the protocol situation. Army men informed of this opinion said there were no military reasons for keeping Gen. Pershing where he is.

Scalpers Reap a Rich Harvest

(By United Press)

St. Paul, Dec. 29—Scalpers are reaping a rich harvest through the freight car embargo in Minneapolis and other cities of Minnesota, the general manager of the Equity Cooperative Exchange at a demurrage hearing before the railway commission said. Farmers throughout the northwest after the elevators are filled are forced to sell to grain elevators at a loss.

POPULATION SEEKS SAFETY

Swiss Village Threatened With Destruction by Avalanches.

Berne, Dec. 29.—The destruction of the village of Chempery, a tourist resort in the canton of Valais, is threatened by the sudden onset of a number of avalanches coupled with a landslide.

Several houses have been crushed and the whole population has evacuated the village. Swiss troops and 200 interned French prisoners of war are working day and night to preserve the rest of the village.

An enormous avalanche has swept away many Alpine huts near Simplon pass, killing two men and many cattle.

N. P. MARCHING CLUB DANCE JANUARY 16

To be Given in Conjunction With the Marching Club Band at the Gardner Auditorium

Carnival Uniforms Expected Here by That Time, and Many Will Appear in Full Uniform

Arrangements have been made for a dance on January 16th, 1917, to be given by the N. P. Marching Club in conjunction with the Marching club band at Gardner's hall. It is expected that the carnival uniforms will be received by that time, and if so, those who will have them may wear the full uniform at the dance if they wish. Tickets are now being sold by Harry Hedlund and Rudolph Lindberg.

The Carnival Club hopes that all members will have the carnival spirit, and extends a hearty welcome to all to help make this first entertainment a success.

Scandinavians Send Peace Notes Belligerents

(By United Press)

London, Dec. 29—The Scandinavian nations have forwarded notes of peace to the belligerent countries, according to a dispatch from Copenhagen.

Fierce Battles East of Sesmeze

(By United Press)

Petrograd, Dec. 29—An official statement says that the retirement of the Rumanian forces before superior enemy pressure north and south of the river Kasino, west of Govessa and continued Teutonic advance was attended by fierce battles east of Sesmeze.

Big Budget Estimate for Minnesota, 1917

(By United Press)

St. Paul, Dec. 29—The total preliminary budget estimate for Minnesota for the next two years approximates nearly $30,000,000, this being $13,000,000 more than was appropriated in the 1915 budget.

CAPTURES REPORTED

(By United Press)

Berlin, Dec. 29—The capture of the town of Rachel in Dobrudja, and also the capture of several prisoners from the hostile position in Forest Cheppy around Malancourt by Wurtemberg and Baden troops are reported.

ADOPT POLICY OF SECRECY

American Officials Will Not Discuss Peace Negotiations.

Washington, Dec. 29.—A policy of absolute silence regarding the peace negotiations has been adopted by President Wilson and Secretary Lansing.

It was stated officially that all steps henceforth will be regarded as confidential, that no comment will be made on any development and that rumors will not be discussed in any way.

This official attitude is construed as indicating secret exchanges are expected to follow if they do not precede, the formal answers to the entente nations to the notes of President Wilson and the central powers.

Because of the highly confidential nature of any such negotiations, it is pointed out, the intermediary would be obliged to refrain from admitting even that they were in progress.

Six Die in Rail Wreck.

Smiths Falls, Ont., Dec. 29.—Six passengers were killed and several others injured when the eastbound Toronto-Montreal Canadian Pacific railway express crashed into the westbound Cornwall local near St. Polycarpe Junction.

POLICEMAN CALLED; SLAIN

Rapid City Officer Shot as He Enters Hotel.

Rapid City, S. D., Dec. 29.—James Hawks, a policeman, was slain as he entered a hotel here in response to a call for help. Ensor Spiking is under arrest, charged with murder.

WHITE PINE BLISTER WARNING IS ISSUED

Washington, Dec. 29.—Attention is called sharply to the fact that the white pine blister disease has been found in western Wisconsin and along the border of Minnesota by Charles Lathrop Pack, president of the American Forestry association.

"The disease has a strong foothold in New England and other northeastern states," said Mr. Pack, "and warnings have been issued by the federal government against the spread of the scourge, which threatens the lumber industry.

"Each state west of the Mississippi should at once enforce an absolute prohibition against the importation of fine needle pines or currant and gooseberry bushes, upon which the fungus feeds. The importance of state quarantines cannot be urged too strongly and I hope Minnesota will take appropriate action."

The white pine blister disease will be one of the principal subjects of discussion at the annual meeting of the association, to be held here Jan. 18 and 19.

GUM CHEWING COSTS $60,000,000 A YEAR.

New York, Dec. 29.—The great American sport—gum chewing—costs this nation $60,000,000 a year, according to statistics of the American Chicle company.

NINE ARE FOUND GUILTY

Omaha Jury Returns Verdict in Wild Horse Case.

Omaha, Dec. 29.—The jury in the case of eleven defendants charged with use of the mails to defraud in sales of phantom wild horses in Cocinino county, Ariz., returned a verdict of guilty against nine defendants and found one not guilty. One defendant was dismissed by the judge. The following were found guilty:

Albert Hastings, Silver Creek, Neb.; C. W. West, Lincoln, Neb.; William Hinkley, Brayton, Neb.; Jack Shercliff, Minneapolis; B. F. Berwinkle, Elliston, Ia., and J. S. Smith, C. A. Smith, C .M. Thompson and John Bolecy, Omaha. Clemency was recommended for Thompson and Bolecy.

F. V. Guidinger, Minneapolis, was found not guilty.

DEATH RATE MUCH LOWER

Policemen and Firemen Outlive Ordinary Citizens.

New York, Dec. 29.—Statistics prepared by medical officers of the New York police and fire departments and submitted to Mayor Mitchel by Fire Commissioner Adamson indicate that despite the risks of their service it is safer to be a fireman than a policeman and safer to be either than a plain citizen. Percentages of death and illness are lower in both services than in the general average of the public.

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THE WEATHER
Weather Forecast for Next 24 Hours.

Fair tonight and Saturday. Not so cold Saturday.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES

News of Parties, Visitors, Visits, Deaths, Accidents, Etc., gratefully received by the Dispatch. Both phones, Northwest 74, Automatic 274.

Culver Adams, of Deerwood, was in the city.

For spring water phone 264. tf

Frank Chase went to Deerwood this afternoon.

William Zodrow went to Deerwood this afternoon.

Mrs. Claus Theorin went to Deerwood this afternoon.

The Misses Loraine and Marie Koop are visiting in Staples.

Iver Benson has returned from a business trip to Duluth.

The Misses Margaret and Ruth Fall went to Staples on Friday noon.

Herman Peterson is spending the Christmas vacation in Merrifield.

E. A. Lamb, of Deerwood, has returned from a business trip to St. Paul.

Mrs. C. M. Farwell and daughter, Miss Mildred, went to Staples Friday noon.

Band dance at Gardner auditorium, Friday evening, December 29. A royal good time promised. 17215

Miss Eva Lessard has gone to Cass Lake where she will spend New Year's.

Miss Rose Wiggens, who has been visiting her parents in Crosby, has returned to Pequot.

Miss Myrtle Peglow, of St. Paul, is a guest of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Claus Theorin.

Judge Gustav Halvorson and wife and children are visiting friends and relatives in Fargo, N. D.

Edgerton Brooks has succeeded his brother Neil as day ticket agent at the Northern Pacific depot.

Mrs. John F. Woodhead and children have returned from a visit with relatives in the Twin Cities.

Meals the same price, 25c, at the Winsor Hotel. Room and board reasonable. 171tf-52wtf

Mrs. B. Magoffin, Jr., of Deerwood, was a Brainerd visitor today, the guest of Mrs. James M. Elder.

Mrs. M. T. Dunn and sons and daughter, of St. Paul, are guests of her sister, Mrs. H. W. Linnemann.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Spalding expect to leave tomorrow for Ft. Myers, Florida, where they will spend the winter.

Mrs. N. O. Iverson, of Ironton, was visiting in the city. She and her husband own valuable mineral land near Ironton.

Mrs. O. H. Johnson has returned from St. Peter where she was a guest of her parents during the Christmas holiday season.

Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Evert left this noon for Pipestone, Minn., where they will spend New Year's with Mrs. Evert's parents.

Encourage the band boys by patronizing Brainerd City band dance, Dec. 29 at Gardner auditorium. 17215

The Misses Amy Lowey and Blanche Firth are spending the holidays in Chicago, guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Fernald, former residents of Brainerd.

Mrs. B. Simmonds and Miss Manning of the Beauty Shop in the Walverman block, who spent Christmas in St. Paul, have returned, and are ready for work. 1t

Try the New England Lunch for a change. Home cooking and baking. Located at 209 S. 5th street. 165tf

George Crust and Henry Elvig returned to the University of Valparaiso to continue their studies, after spending a most enjoyable Christmas with their parents and friends.

Mrs. Neil Brooks leaves next week to join her husband at Miles City, Mont., where he recently went to take the position of city ticket agent of the Northern Pacific railway.

The funeral of Charles Hauer will be held Saturday morning at 10 o'clock from the home of his son, Charles Hauer, Jr., at 811 Ivy street. Burial will be at Evergreen cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Anderson have returned from a visit in Rockford and Chicago, Ill. They were accompanied home by Mrs. R. H. Jones, formerly Miss Ida Olson, who will visit with them for a time.

Cut Flowers and Plants at Mehlin's Greenhouses. N. W. Phone 774. 165tf

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur T. Swanson, of Omaha, Neb., are visiting friends and relatives in the city. Mr. Swanson will return to his work as commercial artist next Tuesday, while Mrs. Swanson will remain for a longer visit.

Bad leaks are reported in water mains on North Tenth, South Broadway and Quince streets, South Seventh and Quince streets. The water department is working energetically to repair them. Digging in frozen ground is slow work.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Matchem, of Riverton, Wyoming, are spending the holidays with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Koop. Mr. Matchem will return by January 1st, but Mrs. Matchen will remain for a longer visit.

Edward R. Syverson, prominent real estate man of Ironton, is in the city on business. He said Ironton faced a most prosperous season, all the mines were working, people were building homes and many lots were being sold in Ironton and Iron Mountain.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Russell and children, and Frank Russell and son, Winfred, will leave tomorrow morning for Riceville, Iowa, where they will spend some time. Their mother is seriously ill there and her recovery is not expected. Mrs. Frank Russell has been in Riceville for some time.

Will Solve Problems

(By United Press)

Washington, Dec. 29—Who got the button, Ann's age, and who bit Billy Patterson, probably will all be solved before the National Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage finds out who got the banner they swung before President Wilson from the House gallery. Also the question of where it is now.

Press Agent Henry Swinehart, who engineered the affair that startled the joint congressional audience on that otherwise peaceful day, admitted today the Union has about given up hope of getting back its banner.

The day after its appearance in the House, those who flung it to the legislative breeze only to have it unceremoniously jerked to earth, went to the sergeant-at-arms' office to get it back. They failed to do so.

The next heard of the new historic emblem was at the Gridiron dinner several Saturday nights back, when the Gridironers pulled a burlesque of the incident while the president was addressing them. The same banner was used in the burlesque.

News of the event gave congressional union officials hope. They buttonholed every Gridiron club member they knew and some they didn't. They pleaded they wanted the grand old flag to use as a background when they were photographed in their new home upon the occasion of dedicating it. They did not get it.

Bank Official Recommends Them

T. J. Norrell, vice president of the Bank of Cottonwood, Tex., writes: "I have received relief and recommend Foley Kidney Pills to any one who has kidney trouble." Kidney trouble manifests itself in many ways—in worry, by aches, pains, soreness, stiffness, and rheumatism. H. P. Dunn, druggist.—Advt. mwf

An Opposite Effect.

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CONGRESS WOULD PASS BILL

Substantial Majority in Favor of Making District of Columbia Dry—People Would Probably Vote to Keep It Wet at Present Time—The Question of Revenue.

By ARTHUR W. DUNN.

Washington, Dec. 29.—[Special.]—Very earnest canvassing has been going on among such senators as can be reached in regard to their votes on the prohibition bill for the District of Columbia. That the bill will pass by a very substantial majority if it ever reaches a direct vote there has been no question. The crucial test comes on the question whether the people of the District of Columbia shall be allowed to vote on the proposition before it becomes effective.

Interest is added to this question because it would be the first time since 1878 that the people of the District have voted upon anything. The people had to be disfranchised in order to give congress complete control of the affairs of the national capital. While there have been desultory demands from time to time for restoration of the franchise, there is no evidence that the people really want the privilege of voting restored.

Interest in Liquor Question.

Interest in the liquor question was aroused during the debate, and it was freely predicted that the time is not very far distant when not only the national capital, but the whole country, will go dry. It is often asserted that within ten years there will be no liquor question in this country, because there will be nation wide prohibition.

The question whether the national capital will go dry or wet hangs on a slender thread. If the referendum carries it is likely that a dry capital will be postponed for a few years.

The Salaried Man.

In fighting for an increase of the clerks' pay in the government service Minority Leader Mann said everybody was making more money or getting more pay than the salaried man. His pay had not been increased unless, perhaps, he was working for some of the money making corporations which have made general increases of pay to all employees. But he asserted that the average man drawing a salary was suffering on account of the high cost of living and getting no extra pay out of the prosperity which the balance of the country was enjoying.

Vardaman's Amende.

When the District of Columbia prohibition bill was being considered in the senate there was one of those outbreaks that often occur when Senator Martine of New Jersey gets into action. Vardaman of Mississippi had been rather severe with Martine, causing the New Jersey man to assert that his own habits were well known and had been known and that he was not going to change them. Finally, when it appeared that Martine felt rather hurt by what had been said, Vardaman made this apology:

"Why, I do not believe there is a man in the chamber who is as utterly devoid of malice and meanness and those things that make men unlovely as is the senator from New Jersey. I think he is the loveliest, dearest old soul in all Israel."

Country Going Dry.

Congressman Rainey of Illinois told the house of representatives that it was only a question of time when the country would go dry and the government would lose the $237,000,000 that is now annually paid in by the liquor interests in licenses and fees. He was pleading for economy and opposing the increased pay of clerks. But the members of congress were not in the least alarmed and voted the increase just the same.

A Limit Reached.

Speaking of methods of raising revenue, Congressman Rainey, one of the leading members of the ways and means committee, said that it was very difficult to say whence would come the money for the government. He said a limit had been reached in taxing large incomes and that not much more revenue could be raised by a duty at the custom houses.

There are other sources left which will make the average person feel that he is paying a part of the waste and extravagance in national expenditures. That is a renewal of stamp taxes, a duty on tea and coffee and lowering the exemption on income taxes.

Progressive New England.

Former Governor D. I. Walsh of Massachusetts told people in Washington that the late election showed that New England was progressive and that old line Republicanism was going out of style. Perhaps he has not analyzed the returns very closely, for the vote showed that, while Wilson ran well and kept Republican majorities down to low figures, old line Republicans ran pretty well in most of the states. New England as well as the west was impressed with the idea advanced so often that Wilson kept us out of war.

WORRIED ABOUT JERSEY ROAD

Commission Asks Questions About Deterioration of State Highways.

The commission on road legislation of New Jersey has addressed a series of questions to engineers, contractors, manufacturers and other individuals throughout the state requesting their opinions upon the best course to be taken to redeem New Jersey's system of roads, which are said to be rapidly going to pieces.

"The construction of much needed new roads is coming to a standstill," says the commission. "The maintenance of old roads even at enormous expense is not keeping pace with the daily wear and tear of travel." Then the commission asks, among other questions:

"Does the fault lie with a tangled mass of unintelligible road laws?

"Are we struggling hopelessly to administer the road laws in township, country and state by numerous undefined and varied types of roads organizations?

"Are we building and maintaining our roads by unsound or unbusinesslike measures of finance?

"Should we limit the traffic on highways as to the weight of vehicles and load, and if so what should be the limit and should we make regulations as to the width of tires?"

Office of Public Roads Busy.

Motorists generally are sanguine that the roads co-operation just established between the national government and the several states will accomplish a big step toward the evolution of a federal system of highways which will connect the different sections of the country as effectively as the French plan of national routes.

Putting this great new policy into operation, involving an outlay of $85,000,000 of government money, has made of the United States office of public roads and rural engineering about the busiest bureau in the government service. While the federal aid road law designates the secretary of agriculture as the executive officer for carrying out the act, he will in the main meet this requirement through the agency of the public roads office, of which Logan Waller Page is the director.

A Word For an Abused Man.

Is it not time father had a square deal?

Years ago—not so many—our children spoke to and of us as "papa" and "mamma," as case and gender might be. Now we have dignified "mamma" into "mother," but poor "papa" is robbed of even that small dignity. He's just "daddy."—Life.

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Berlin Reports Further Gains in Roumania.

FIGHTING AROUND VERDUN

Germans Attack French Positions, but Are Repulsed—Artillery Duels Raging in Austro-Italian Theater and Teutons Are Using Howitzers Against Russians in Galicia.

London, Dec. 29.—The latest official communication from Berlin records fresh advances for the Teutonic allies against the Russians and Roumanians in Wallachia. The invaders now are well beyond Rimnik-Sarat, advancing along the railroad toward Fokshani.

Three thousand more prisoners and twenty-two machine guns have been captured by the invaders, bringing the number of men taken in the Rimnik-Sarat maneuver up to 10,220.

Although the Berlin war office reports that the Teutonic allies in Dobrudja are keeping up their pressure against the Russians and Roumanians and have forced the Russians from fortified height positions east of Matchin, on the east bank of the Danube, opposite Braila, Petrograd announces that the invaders south of the Danube have been repulsed with heavy losses, except at the village of Bakel, which has been occupied by them.

British armed motor cars, Petrograd says, did great execution in this fighting.

French Repulse Assault.

Considerable fighting again has taken place on the Verdun sector around Le Mort Homme and on the eastern slopes of Hill 304, where the Germans made an attack, but were repulsed, and where, later, the French began bombardment of the German positions.

Elsewhere along the French front there have been reciprocal bombardments and attacks by small patrol parties, interspersed with fights in the air and aerial raids by French and German aviators.

In the encounters in the air each side is reported to have lost machines.

In the Austro-Italian theater artillery duels have been renewed with vigor, especially on the Carso front.

In Macedonia, except for British attacks against the Bulgarians northeast of Lake Doiran, which Berlin reports were unsuccessful, comparative quiet still prevails.

South of Brody, in Galicia, the Germans have brought their howitzers into play against Russian positions, and at various points have damaged their trenches.

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WOMAN'S REALM

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BY MARGARET MASON.
(Written for the United Press)

If Percy and Mabel
Have had a small fight
On New Year's, if able,
They'll make it up right.

If hair and complexion
Should quarrel and fight
The rest of your face
Just make it up right.

New York, Dec. 29—Since New Year's day is the day of days to patch up all differences, cover up all the disagreeable features of the past and make up and be friends, why not begin with your face.

Any body can make up a quarrel and everybody can patch up a difference but it takes a real artist to patch up a face and make up a complexion.

It may surprise you to learn that there still are few benighted and medival monster husbands in the world who won't let their poor wives use a powder rag or a speck of rouge. Just fancy! Yes, and there are actually some doormat wives who obey those same benighted and medieval monster husbands and go through life with shiny noses and yellow skins.

Then they wonder why some husbands don't make a fuss over them but have an eye for every pretty girl on the street with the healthful glow of rouge on her cheeks and her lips prettily rubylined.

Other wives who suffer with benighted husbands have a secret little cache for the trusty powder rag and the lip stick and put the make up on the sly and also on the nose and lips.

In this case to paraphrase that famous line of "The Darling of the Gods" that "It is better to lie a little than be unhappy much." "It is better to deceive a little than to be unattractive much."

The best way of course, is to come right out in the open with an open face and if you have any latent artistic ability don't waste it painting china or candle shades but touch up your own vivacious visage.

All the successful and smart women from Helen of Troy and Cleopatra down to our present galaxy of female beauty have looked upon both the rouge and henna when it was red.

In David Graham Phillips "Old Wives and New" you all know how the wife lost her husband's affection by letting herself go, getting sloppy and slovenly and how she won another husband again by resorting to a good corsetiere, a good dressmaker and above all a good beauty expert. It is really much better however not to risk losing a perfectly good husband at all but to resort to the beauty expert at the getaway. Nowadays with all the wonderful new beauty specialties and inventions, the creams adapted to every purpose and suited to every type of skin, the powders matched up to every complexion to a nicety, the rouges, the lipsticks, the eyebrow pencils, the wrinkle eradicators, massage, mud packs, muscle oils, permanent hair waving, etc., why should any woman be plain? That is of course if she has the courage of her convictions.

That old wheeze about not painting the lily or gilding the rose has been knocked out by our enterprising florists with their emerald green carnations, their mauve and salmon chrysanthemums. Who says you can't improve on Nature. When woods are overgrown don't the forestry experts clear them out and when land is barren and treeless don't they plant seedlings and set out embryo forests. Then when eyebrows are bushy and overgrown why not tweek them out to a fine and becoming line with the handy tweezers and if they be scant why not apply the ever eyebrow pencil, black or brown? A judicious use of the rouge that's red on lip and cheek will make a woman fairly redolent of youth and charm and remember one touch of powder makes the whole world's skin.

So for Beauty's sake and your own when you swear off all your bad habits on January first, 1917, swear on all the cosmetics that you need and remember above all things that 'twere better even to have a tarnished reputation than a shiny nose.

MRS. I. U. WHITE SICK

Afflicted With Ptomaine Poisoning Wednesday Night and Doctors Called to Attend Her

Mrs. I. U. White was taken with an attack of ptomaine poisoning late Wednesday night and doctors summoned worked constantly to save her and she was not out of danger until late Thursday. She is resting fairly well at her home today, but is still very weak.

DANCING PARTY

"Knights of the New Year" to Give Party at Citizens State Bank Hall on January 2

The "Knights of the New Year" will give a New Year's party at the Knights of Columbus hall on Tuesday evening, January 2. The Knights number some of the most prominent young men of the city.

For Miss Emily Dunn

The Misses Bertha Mahlum, Laura Johnson, Eleanor McKinley and Ruth Moody entertained at the home of the latter for Miss Emily Dunn, of Minneapolis, on Wednesday. A five course luncheon was served. Bridge was played at three tables, the guest prize being awarded Miss Dunn, and the head prize being won by Miss Jule O'Brien.

Week of Prayer

The First Congregational church will hold its annual week of prayer commencing Tuesday of next week. The services will be held in the homes of the members as follows: Tuesday night, Mrs. Losey; Wednesday night, the parsonage; Thursday night, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. M. Johnstone; Friday night, Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Whiteley. Services commence at 7:30 and lasts 45 minutes.

New Year's Eve

Regular Sunday luncheon and Sunday dinner at the Ideal December 31. From 10:30 P. M. to midnight, diners will watch the Old Year out and the New Year in with music. A special chef will be on duty for short orders. Soft drinks of all kinds, frappes, etc., to be served. Spend New Year's eve at the Ideal with your family.

Entertain for Cousin

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Johnson of 708 South Pine street, entertained at dinner last evening in honor of Mrs. Johnson's cousin, George Anderson, now of Des Moines, Iowa, who is here spending the holidays with his parents. Covers were laid for eight, the color motif being red and white.

Entertain at Bridge

Mr. and Mrs. James Alderman entertained at bridge on Wednesday night. Three tables were played, Miss Jule O'Brien winning the lady's prize and Dick Johnson the gentleman's prize. A delightful luncheon was served.

Entertains Girl Friends

Miss Millicent Russell entertained a party of girl friends at her home Thursday evening. A pleasant evening was enjoyed by all. Miss Russell will leave Monday noon for Minneapolis, where she will continue her studies.

"The Idle Hour Club"

Mrs. C. M. Patek and Mrs. Henry I. Cohen entertained the "Idle Hour Club" this afternoon at the Ransford hotel parlors.

Entertains at Dinner

Miss Carrie Morrison entertained a number of friends at dinner on Thursday and Friday night.

Dancing Party

Walter Cleary will give a dancing party in the near future to which eight couples are to be asked.

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Argentine Beauty Stirs Washington

MME. EDWARD NAON

Mme. Edward Naon, a beauty of Argentina, sister-in-law of Ambassador Naon from Argentina to the United States, has created a stir in Washington by her beauty during her two months' stay here. She has been introduced to the most exclusive Washington society and many affairs have been held in her honor. She and her husband, who is judge of the commercial court at Buenos Ayres, will spend the remainder of the winter in New York City, where they will probably be entertained by society.

SETS NEW STANDARD

Picture Makers in Ramona Succeed in the Story of Old California

(BY JUANITA GRAY.)

Fifty-one times, I believe, stage craftsmen tried and failed to dramatize Helen Hunt Jackson's "Ramona." It remained for the cinematographers to turn the trick. The lot fell to W. H. Clune, Lloyd Brown and Donald Crisp, associate producers of "The Birth of a Nation."

What they effected was given its premiere last evening at the Auditorium, succeeding successful runs in the East and on the Pacific coast. The well-nigh capacity audience, with repeated hand-clapping and murmurs of approval, marked this cinema-musical performance, which has some of the trappings of a legitimate dramatic spectacle, for an engagement which should extend through the dog days and beyond.

Through anticipatory publicity this department was advised and readvised that the lowly term "movie" was as alien to "Ramona" as cinematized as peace is alien to contemporary Mexico. Our skepticism partly evaporated when the curtain rose, discovering the famed San Gabriel Mission spanning the stage of the big show house, and as the performance progressed uncovering other evidence of the veracity of the press agent, admiration requisitioned its place.

The producers have taken the meat out of the romance that stirred the heart of our grandmas and put it into wondrous photography of choice locations. They have followed the main thread and eliminated the short bystands. It is compassed in two acts and a prologue, together extending over a three-hour period.

Of a big cast the work of Miss Adda Gleason, daughter of Angus Phail, as Ramona; Monroe Salisbury as Alessandro, N. de Brullier as Felipe, and Mabel Van Buren as Ramona Gonzago stands out as especially gifted. Miss Van Buren is past master in the art of makeup.

To Continue Vespers

By vote of the church the First Congregational church decided to continue the vesper services during the winter. This service takes the place of the regular evening service on Sunday and is held at 4:30.

Entertains Saturday

Miss Marie Clark will entertain for Miss Emily Dunn, of Minneapolis, on Saturday.

TWO DIE IN HOTEL FIRE

Dozen Injured Persons Rescued From Building.

Mount Holly, N. J., Dec. 29.—Two persons were burned to death here when the three-story Madison hotel was wrecked by a gas explosion and fire. The bodies of Robert M. Snyder, son of the proprietor, and a bartender, were found in the ruins.

About a dozen injured persons, two of whom may die, were rescued.

CLEARINGS BREAK RECORD

Minneapolis Banks Estimate Exchanges for Year at $1,475,000,000.

Minneapolis, Dec. 29.—Minneapolis bank clearings will break all records when the year 1916 shall have closed. The total for the year will be in the neighborhood of $1,475,000,000, the clearing house estimated.

The total for 1915 was $1,341,545,483.85, and the indicated gain is $134,000,000.

IMMENSE SHIPMENT OF GOLD RECEIVED

New York, Dec. 29.—The largest single day's importation of gold into this country was recorded with the deposit of $33,000,000 by J. P. Morgan & Co. in the New York and Philadelphia assay offices.

Of that amount $25,000,000 was in the form of American eagles, being the identical gold shipped to Paris by this government in April, 1904, during the Roosevelt administration as part payment of $40,000,000 made to the old French Panama Canal company for its equities in the canal.

It was brought back to this country in the same boxes in which it was sent abroad and in which it has been kept for nearly thirteen years. The gold represented the first importation in the form of American gold eagles since the present movement began. The bulk of previous receipts was in bar gold and other forms.

These consignments bring the total gold imports for the year up to $678,000,000, exceeding by several hundred millions the inflow for any previous year.

ROUMANIAN OIL FIELDS ARE DESTROYED.

London, Dec. 29.—British military mission in Roumania destroyed Roumanian oil fields valued at $150,000,000 before that territory fell into German hands, W. W. Rutherford, a member of parliament, announced at a general meeting of the Roumanian Consolidated Oil Fields company here. He said the property and stock obtained by the Germans was valueless.

SPACE ON FREIGHT SHIPS

British Government Takes 85 Per Cent on Jan. 1.

New York, Dec. 29.—Lieutenant Connor Guthrie, representing the British admiralty here, summoned freight managers of the British steamship companies to a conference and told them that, beginning Jan. 1, the British government would require 85 per cent of the cargo space on their ships. Forty-seven and nine-tenths per cent is to be reserved for war munitions and the remaining 37 1-10 per cent for wheat. During the greater part of this year the British government has reserved 60 per cent of the space in vessels flying its flags. Dec. 15, Lieutenant Guthrie called a meeting of the freight managers and informed them that the government would require 70 per cent of the space.

600-POUND WOMAN IS DEAD

Mrs. John Schindler Called Heaviest in North Dakota.

Tappen, N. D., Dec. 29.—Mrs. John Schindler, said to have been the largest woman in North Dakota, who tipped the scales at 600 pounds, and mother of three children each weighing more than 200 pounds, is dead here. The casket which contains her body is six feet, three inches long; twenty-eight inches deep and thirty-four inches wide.

Russian War Loan Growing.

Petrograd, Dec. 29.—Russian war loan subscriptions have increased considerably since publication of peace notes. All co-operative societies have subscribed 25 per cent of their capital.

Resourceful.

Father—There, now! You've gone and crippled that calf with your confounded stone throwing!

Son (who has studied efficiency)—Well, we can make limp leather of his pelt.—Farm Life.

A New Year's Allegory

ACROSS the snowbound earth the New Year stepped buoyantly. A splendid youth he was, with radiant eyes, full red lips and the star of hope set above his brows.

Life called to him, called with a thousand eager voices, and he smiled as he listened, remembering that for a whole year the world and the men thereon were his.

Far away under the frozen sky a blaze of light shone like a jewel, and he quickened his steps as he turned toward the city.

And, though the lights shone boldly when he entered it, most of the streets were empty. Only a few men were about, and as the wind swirled at corners they ran for shelter.

In one of the streets the New Year met a woman. A dark veil fluttered around her, so that he could not distinguish her form, but her face was very sweet as she bent and clasped a child to her heart. The New Year gave her greeting.

"You are Charity, I know," he said.

Charity laid her hand in his and smiled. And, for all his youth, her smile set him dreaming of green woods and golden sunshine, of vague, sweet things that were still unknown to him. Indeed, so deeply did he dream that as he walked he collided with another woman.

Another woman!

A glittering gas moth this, with a pert, powdered face, carmined lips and hard, bright eyes.

"All hail!" she cried mockingly. "I shall be your constant companion, for I am Sin, and where men are there you will always find me."

The New Year shrank back, and his face darkened. But Sin pressed close to him, laughed loudly and, tearing a rose from those at her breast, tossed it to him, as with a rustle of silk she passed on. The rose fell on the snow powdered walk, and when the New Year would have picked it up, lo, it was scentless, and as its crimson petals fell asunder he saw that a worm was hid in its heart.

"All hail!" she cried mockingly.

Another form came in sight—in the garb of a monk with a dark hood about his tranquil face. His eyes were upon the ground, and his lips moved in prayer for all mankind. So tender and pitiful was his face that even before he cried, "Miserere Domine!" the New Year guessed that his name was Mercy.

Very cold it grew as the New Year turned into a mean street, so cold that he sought refuge in the porch of a darkened house. Yet there prevailed such a grateful warmth that he pressed back to learn its cause and so brushed against a boy—a boy with a wan, beautiful face, tangled hair and rapt eyes. Shabby, desolate and tired he looked, yet the New Year was wonderfully attracted to him.

"Why are you here alone?" he asked.

"I am never alone," corrected the boy, and he stepped aside so that the New Year caught the fragrance of his breath and saw that two great wings were furled behind him, and in the shadow of his wings an old man and an old woman crouched together. How tired, how poor, they looked! But an expression of ineffable tenderness shone on their, pinched faces as they lay, white head against white head, chilled breast against chilled breast.

Tenderness Shone on Their Faces.

"I am all they have," whispered Love as tears filled his wonderful eyes. "They have never failed me, and I shall stay with them until the end."

"I am the End!" called another voice, and a grim figure mounted the steps.

"Not yet," begged Love, and he tried to bar the stranger's way. But at sight of the scythe the other bore Love's great wings drooped.

"Mine is the best gift of all," whispered the newcomer as he bent over the forlorn couple.

Silently the New Year walked alone with the night and the stars and the scurrying snow. And as he hurried on the darkness faded into the eerie pallor of dawn. He stretched out his arms and welcomed his first day.

"Charity, Sin, Mercy, Love and Death," he cried—"all mine! How shall I choose from among you?"

A shadow fell across him; there was a sound as of wings beating the air, and Love, rosy, triumphant and eternal, caught his hands. "Let me go with you all your days," he pleaded, "for mine is the gift which sweetens Charity, vanquishes Sin, glorifies Mercy and fears not Death."

A Happy New Year

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MILLIONS OF FISH

Fish Distribution From Minnesota State Hatcheries During the Year Total 128,727,852

Fish distribution from the various state hatcheries for the current year totals about 130,000,000 according to an advance estimate made by Eben W. Cobb, superintendent of fisheries.

Exact figures are not available because the law requires that records be so kept as to show the work from August to August 1 and there is always a little doubt about the true division of the year's work and the fish now on hand have not yet been counted.

But Mr. Cobb declares that the following figures are approximately correct:

Brook trout	4,879,814
Brown trout	1,046,613
Lake trout	189,302
Steelhead trout	244,253
Landlocked salmon	500
Chinook salmon	31,470
Black bass	38,826
Crappies	107,000
Sunfish	80,033
Yellow perch	40,041
White bass	4,000
Pike-perch	123,066,000
Total	129,727,852

About 8,000,000 trout eggs now ordered for fall delivery.

Will take about 1,250 from stock in perch at hatchery.

OUR OLD PRIVATE COINAGE.

Territorial Gold Pieces Minted by Private Assayers.

The old territorial gold pieces, while they never had the sanction of the United States government, passed at different periods as legal tender in that they were accepted as a medium of exchange between buyer and seller.

Territorial gold pieces were struck by private assayers in Georgia in 1830, in North Carolina from 1831 to 1850, in California from 1849 to 1855, in Utah in 1849, 1850 and 1860, in Oregon in 1849 and in Colorado in 1860 and 1861.

There was nothing illegal in their issue, and the procedure was considered in no sense as counterfeiting. In fact, it was not until 1864 that a federal statute was passed forbidding a continuation of the practice.

E. H. Adams of New York told an interesting story about how this statute came about.

"A man named Gruber," he said, "senior of the firm of Clark, Gruber & Co. of Denver, had a large private mint, and one day he showed Salmon P. Chase, who was secretary of the treasury from 1861 to 1864, a fine twenty dollar gold piece of his own coining.

"Mr. Chase told him that it was a counterfeit, whereupon Mr. Gruber remarked that it was no such thing; that there was no law preventing the issue of such coins.

"'Then I shall see that there is one,' Mr. Chase replied, and he made good his prediction. That conversation took place in 1861, and in 1864 the law was passed."

Mr. Adams explained why these coins had been privately struck. He said that in those days gold, in the shape of dust or nuggets, was used for money in the states where it was mined. This necessitated a great deal of trouble. Scales had to be used whenever a purchase was made, and then there was always the question of how it could best be carried.

So to expedite matters the assayers adopted the custom of taking the gold and making it up into their own coins. That certain of these were full value Mr. Adams added, was shown by the fact that on several occasions when they were redeemed for official money the gold in them was found to exceed the face value.—W. W. B. in Baltimore News.

The Chinese custom of burning small pieces of gold leaf on various anniversaries sacrifices several million dollars' worth of the metal annually.

Billy Sunday Versus Broadway

BY GEORGE MARTIN,
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)

New York, Dec. 29—Powerful forces, both sinister and benign, are lining up here today for the case of Billy Sunday versus Broadway, Wall Street, Bohemia, et al, which goes to trial April 1.

What sort of reception Sunday and his old time shouting Methodist camp meeting style will get in the world's gayest, richest, wickedest, most material city, is the subject of much speculation among the residents. He will be the biggest attraction the Old Town has seen for years, and it is predicted that great mobs will literally fight to get near his giant tabernacle.

It will be a battle royal; and preparations are being made accordingly. Billy and Broadway have been sparring for position for several years; and now at last the evangelist is coming to fight the devil in his own home town.

Broadway, as Broadway, seems to have paid little heed to Sunday's plans. But scratch the surface and you find that what Cyclone Davis calls the Boys of Booze and Boodle are not asleep.

The belligerent Billy, though busy with Boston is watching carefully every move in his preliminary campaign here. Already a small army of Sundayites are organizing the Big Town. On January 14th a brigade of the evangelist's most remarkable trail hitters from every city he has invaded, will march on the metropolis and take it by storm. This is one of many of the preliminaries calculated to create atmosphere for Billy's coming.

"Billy Sunday, Incorporated," with John D. Rockefeller, Jr., as one of the principal stockholders, is officially in existence in New York City. Plans for the erection of the mammoth tabernacle, the great pine and sawdust temple for the spiritually unwashed, are well under way. Soon it will rear its rough hewn dome above the Upper Manhattan hinterland of that Great and Gay White Way whose gleaming searchlights ever beckon the pleasurelorn from the far four corners of the earth.

Committeemen and women have divided the city into sections and the population into classes for organization on a house to house and man to man basis. Mrs. William Asher, for instance, has charge of all work among New York scrubwomen, domestics, factory girls and hospital nurses.

No one has been neglected. Bible meetings and song services will be held daily on the New York Curb and at the portals of the New York Stock Exchange. Wall street will be combed for the spiritually unwashed. That work is even now under way.

Unquestionably, Sunday faces the chance of a lifetime in New York.

Here will be Broadway, Citadel of Champagne and home of the Sinful Supper.

Wall street, whose hall mark is Midas shearing a Lamb; Bohemia, with its loose leaf ledger weddings, its lavender souls and sun god cults; the slums, steeped in squalor and degradation from which uptown respectability distills pure gold; the home of the gunman with his regular scale of murder prices and of the painted lady who drives her limousine and reckons her income in six figures. All these and more are here for Sunday to deal with.

Homer Rodeheaver, Sunday's choir director, expects to organize a double choir of 8,000 to 10,000 voices.

George G. Dowie will lead the prize trail hitters from Philadelphia and elsewhere, some of them having been converted seven years ago. These will be used to prove that Sunday conversions are not 'flash in the pan' work.

Nothing is being left undone to pave the way for Sunday's triumphant advance upon New York; nor, on the other hands, is anything left undone to circumvent his efforts.

Cause of the Row.

"What's all this fuss about?" asked the policeman, stepping between the two young men.

The one that had got the worst of it and was wiping the blood from his nose pointed to the other fellow. "He can tell you her name if he wants to," he said. "I won't."—Exchange.

Meteoric Matter.

In the early days of its history the earth is believed to have grown rapidly by the addition of meteoric matter. It is still growing in the same manner, though scarcely to an appreciable extent, for the mass of meteoric matter added yearly is reckoned to be only 20,000 tons.

According to an official German test, networks of telephone wires over a city tend to diminish the danger from lightning.

French Review

BY HENRY RUSSIA,
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)

Paris, Dec. 27 (By Mail)—During the closing three months of 1916 three events took place in France which demonstrated as never at any previous period of the war the apparently inexhaustible resources of France's military genius and strength the equally inexhaustible resources of her financial and economic energy, and the absolutely unshaken determination both of her army and her civil population to continue the war to a successful close.

Two epic events were the launching on October 24 of the French offensive at Verdun, in which practically all the ground and positions won by the Crown Prince's armies in six months of sanguinary fighting were reconquered within six hours with a minimum of losses for the French, and secondly, the subscribing by the French nation as a whole in three weeks, from October 5 to October 29, of an unprecedented war loan of nearly 2,300,000,000 dollars.

The third was the reorganization of France's cabinet along the line of compactness and efficiency which David Lloyd-George introduced in England. Premier Briand remained at the head of the ministry, and Joffre, idol of France, and former generalissimo of her forces, while still retaining supreme command of French forces, became counsellor to the war council. General Nivelle, defender of Verdun and one of the popular heroes of the army, was made commander of French forces in the north and northeast.

While the French victory at Verdun, taken entirely by itself, stands out as an unparalleled achievement in the military history of the world, yet its real significance in the present war, is only apparent when it is viewed in connection with all that had proceded it.

When the Germans launched their great offensive at Verdun on February 21, no secret was made of at least two of the objects which the Germans had in view. One of these was to prevent the Allies from starting their combined unique offensive, and the other was to deliver an absolute death blow to France.

While the Germans failed to reach Verdun, and while their great effort failed to prevent the launching of the Allied offensive, yet they openly boasted that at least one of their objectives had been attained—namely that they had caused France to bleed utter exhustion before Verdun and that henceforward she would be incapable of further military effort.

Despite this boast and despite the losses which France undeniably sustained before Verdun, she launched on July 1st, in connection with the English the offensive on the Somme, which has never been checked for a single instant, and in which, in addition to all of the villages and ground regained, all the losses in dead and wounded inflicted on the enemy, the French themselves, independent of what the English have done, have captured over 45,000 prisoners, over 300 cannon and over 600 machine guns.

It was while still conducting this vigorous offensive on the Somme, which the Germans had boasted France would never be able to launch as a result of her losses at Verdun, that France on October 24, launched even a second offensive this time choosing the German's own ground at Verdun where all of Germany's great infantry and artillery strength had been concentrated for eight months.

This offensive France launched all alone, without the slightest help from any of her Allies and carried it to such a successful conclusion that the Germans withdrew from the Fort of Vaux without even fighting.

While this great operation at Verdun revealed to the entire world the present military strength of France after over two years of unprecedented warfare, it revealed also to the more expert eyes of the military critics of Europe, something equally important, and that is the present military genius of France. Almost without exception competent military critics and authorities in Europe are unanimous in declaring the French offensive at Verdun one of the most remarkable military operations in the world's history.

The offensive as planned, included the taking of over half a dozen positions, such as Haudromont Quarries, Thiamont and Doumount, every one of which the Germans had been weeks and months in capturing, and every one of which would ordinarily be considered an objective for a great offensive movement. The including of all these objectives in a single movement and the attainment of them in six hours of fighting, is conceded by European military critics to have only been possible by the attainment of a degree of co-ordination between infantry, artillery and aerial service never before attained and by the development of a degree of genius on the part of the French commanders which shows France conclusively at the highest point of the military power she has developed in the present war.

Of the morale of the men who accomplished this great achievement, I can speak personally. A few days after the reoccupation of Vaux, I visited the troops in their front line trenches before the fort. They had been there for days under a terrific bombardment, suffering hardships that it seemed inconceivable that human beings could sustain, living an existence that seemed to make the lot of their comrades whose dead bodies law wind and rain beaten in the adjacent shell holes, one to be desired and preferred a thousand times over. And yet these men were gay; gay with the consciousness of men who have done their duty, and gay with the consciousness that they had attained for France a superiority over the enemy for which every one of them was willing to die that it might be eternally maintained.

Almost at the same moment of this great victory of France's military strength and France's military morale at Verdun, came the announcement on October 29, that the French nation as a whole was standing behind its fighting ranks in a manner equally as firm, and evidenced by its subscription of nearly 2,300,000,000 dollars to a new war loan, destined to enable the army to continue to a victorious end.

When, following the war of 1870, Germany imposed on France an unprecedented war indemnity of one billion dollars, the sole object of which was admittedly that of crushing France economically and financially, the entire world stood amazed at the maner in which France, in less than a year, borrowed this amount from her people, and paid off the debt.

Yet in the present instance, after over two years of warfare, after subscribing in an amazing maner to preceding loans, the French people, not in a year, but in three weeks only, subscribed a new war loan of over two billion dollars, or over twice the amount of the indemnity imposed on France in 1870.

Like the military victory at Verdun, the real significance of this financial and economic victory can only be appreciated by viewing it in conection with other things.

With the begining of the present war, for example, the French people were invited to turn into the Bank of France their hoards of gold accepting in its place ordinary bank notes. This gold, they were told, was needed in order to permit France to maintain her credit abroad.

Since the issuance of this invitation, this gold has poured into the Bank of France at a steady, undiminished average of 1,000,000 dollars a week. Yet despite all that had been turned in before the floating of the recent loan, over 32,000,000 dollars worth of subscriptions to the latter were paid in gold. Not only this but during the three weeks that the subscription was in progress, the average of 1,000,000 dollars a week of gold exchanges for bank notes was not only maintained, but even in increased reaching one week a total of 7,000,000 francs or 1,400,000 dolars.

With this military strength displayed at Verdun, with this financial strength displayed in her October loan, and her new cabinet, together with the morale of the army and the spirit of the civil population, France feels that she can look forward to 1917 with great cheer and great hopes.

Presidential Nominations.

The statement is often made that no man ever declined a nomination for president. A convention of the Abolitionist party was held in New York city in November, 1847, and nominated John P. Hale of New Hampshire for president and Leicester King of Ohio for vice president. Mr. Hale declined the nomination, and the ticket was abandoned.

In 1852 the Free Soil Democratic party held a national convention in Pittsburgh and nominated Hale for president. He accepted and at the election received 156,149 votes in twenty states.

Party nominations for vice president have been declined a number of times —Exchange.

Nicknames For Police.

It would be interesting to have a list of the names by which the police are known. Copper, peeler and bobby are probably the most prevalent, and they carry their derivations with them—as officer who "cops" people is a copper and the name of the founder of the force, Sir Robert Peel, explains the other two styles. In many parts a policeman is called a slop—a corruption of "ecilop" ("police" spelled backwards). In Dundee a policeman is a snout, the name having originally been got from the fact that he wears a helmet with a bold peak fore and aft.—London Standard.

WE WANT TO THANK EVERY ONE OF YOU

For the hearty support given us during our First Year in business and our wish is that the New Year of 1917, be the most Happy and Prosperous that you have ever experienced.

We feel that you will rejoice with us, in knowing, that we have sold and delivered, to the people of Brainerd and Crow Wing County, in the past 12 months, 246 Ford Cars and 33 Overlands.

Don't this look as though Crow Wing County was some County?
Don't this look like prosperity?
Ar'nt you glad you live here?
We are—We Certainly Are.

Have you stopped to think what these 246 FORDS are making for us?

Do you Mr. Merchant, realize the number of Farmers who can now, take advantage of our sales, who before could not afford to loose the time driving into town with a team?

If there is anyone who doubts whether the Farmer appreciates his FORD ask him—You'll think he is being paid to advertise, but he's not, he is honestly HAPPY and being honest knows that there is no car on the American market or in the entire world that has the Dollar for Dollar value that his little FORD has, and we feel that the above figures show that Crow Wing County is the home of Honest men, men who know the value of the Almighty Dollar.

Let Our Motto for the Coming Year, Be BOOST.
Boost Our Town.
Boost Our County.
Boost Our Farmers.
Boost Our Merchants.
Boost Our Roads.
Boost Our Clubs.
Boost Each Other.
And Last But Not Least Our FORDS.

Again, Here's to you Good People of Crow Wing, and may this year be the Most prosperous You Have Ever Seen.

Woodhead Motor Co.

"BROTHER JONATHAN."

Career of the Patriot Who Gave Us This Lasting Title.

Jonathan Trumbull, the original "Brother Jonathan," was born on Oct. 12, 1710, in Lebanon, Conn. He was graduated from Harvard college in 1727, preached a few years, then studied law, and at the age of twenty three years he was a member of the assembly. He was chosen lieutenant governor in 1766 and became ex officio chief justice of the superior court. In 1768 he refused to take the oath enjoined on officers of the crown, and in the following year he was chosen governor. He was the only colonial governor who espoused the cause of the people in their struggle for justice and independence.

In the absence at congress of the Adamses and Hancock from New England Trumbull was considered the Whig leader in that region, and Washington always placed implicit reliance upon his patriotism and energy. When Washington took charge of the Continental army at Cambridge, Mass., he found it in want of ammunition and other supplies, and this want continued more or less for months. Trumbull was then governor of Connecticut On one occasion at a council of war, when there seemed to be no way to make provision against an attack by the enemy, Washington said, "We must consult Brother Jonathan on this subject." He did so, and the governor was successful in supplying many of the needs of the army.

When the army was afterward spread over the country and difficulties arose it was a common saying among the officers as a byword, "We must consult Brother Jonathan." The origin of this phrase was eventually lost sight of, and "Brother Jonathan" became a title of our nationality, like "John Bull" of England. Trumbull died in Lebanon, Conn., on Aug. 17, 1785.

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BEST THEATRE

TODAY — "THE SWEDEN OF TODAY" In Moving Pictures—Lecture by M. ENDERSTEDT — Matinee 3:00 Eve. 7:30 & 9

TOMORROW — Lillian Gish in "DRAMA OF THE FOLLIES" — Matinee 2:00 Eve. 7:30 & 9

NEW YEARS—Douglas Fairbanks in "MANHATTAN MADINESS"

EMPRESS THEATRE

TODAY — BILLIE BURKE In "Gloria's Romance"

NEW YEAR'S—William Farnum in "FIRES OF CONSCIENCE"

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OPEN HOUSE AT CHAMBER COMMERCE

Yule Tide Appearance to be Given Rooms at Reception New Year's Day

HOURS TO BE FROM 2 TO 4 P. M.

Members of Chamber, Their Ladies and Invited Guests Will be Entertained

Plans for the open-house program at the Chamber of Commerce on New Year's day were gone over at length at a special meeting of the House and Social committee last evening.

The fact that the ladies are to be guests of the Chamber has actuated the committee in a special effort to make their visit pleasant. The rooms will be prettily decorated for the occasion and a frappe table will be presided over by two young ladies of the city. To add to the Yule Tide appearance of the rooms and the general effect, glowing fires will be kindled in the fireplaces and little girls will pop corn and serve the same to the guests.

Arrangements are being made for an orchestra or musical numbers by some well known local musician and other details are being worked out to make the day pleasant and cheerful.

Members of the Chamber of Commerce are urged to bring their ladies and any invited guests and the hours for the program and reception have been set for from 2 to 4 p. m. Although all are invited to come at any time during the day they see fit and to enjoy the rooms and the hospitality of the Chamber of Commerce.

WINS PROMOTION

Rev. M. P. Burns, Methodist District Head, So Notified at Duluth

(Duluth Herald)

Dr. M. P. Burns, for two and one-half years superintendent of the Duluth district of Methodist Episcopal churches, was notified late yesterday that the general board of home missions and church extension of the Methodist church had elected him head of the department of cities.

In that capacity Dr. Burns will be in charge of church extension and development work throughout the United States, excepting that in rural communities. He will make his headquarters in Philadelphia, Pa.

Before coming to Duluth Dr. Burns was in charge of the Minneapolis district, and local members of the church say that his excellent record in Minneapolis and in Northern Minnesota as an organizer brought the promotion.

Ministers of the Duluth Methodist district, which includes the Mesaba and Cuyuna ranges, as well as Duluth will assemble in Duluth Friday to attend a farewell dinner to Dr. Burns at the Commercial club Friday noon.

The many Duluth friends of the former superintendent will attend a farewell reception in his honor at the First M. E. church, Thursday evening. Rev. A. L. Richardson, pastor of the Lester Park M. E. church, will preside. Addresses will be made by H. A. Ingham, pastor of the Endion M. E. church; Bert N. Wheeler and Watson S. Moore. Music will be furnished by the quartet of the First M. E. church.

HEARD IN RECITAL

Prof. Theodore Reimestad, of Minneapolis, to Sing at Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Prof. Theodore Reimestad, of Minneapolis, a brother of Dr. C. S. Reimestad, of Brainerd, will be heard in a tenor recital in Brainerd on Sunday evening at 7:45 o'clock at the Bethlehem Lutheran church on South Seventh street. He will be assisted by local talent.

No admission will be charged, but a silver offering will be taken. This concert takes the place of the regular services Sunday evening.

Elects Officers

At the last convention White Cross Lodge No. 30 K. of P. elected the following officers:

C. C.—J. H. Strickler.
V. C.—A. E. Evans.
Prel.—C. D. Johnson
M. of W.—Wm. Brown, Sr.
K. R. S.—Hugo A. Kaatz
M. of F.—W. A. Hanna
M. of E.—Milton McFadden.
M. at A.—W. O. Hudson.
In. G.—L. O. Johnson.
O. G.—T. T. Blackburn.

Trustee for three years—Edward Crust.

Grand Lodge Representative—Hugo A. Kaatz.

Alternate—D. T. Lawrence.

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MASQUERADE BALL ON ICE

Management of Boom Lake Municipal Skating Rink Announces Feature for Near Future

WILL WATCH WEATHER MAN

December Has Been Productive of Some of the Worst Weather Encountered in Years

The management of the Boom lake municipal skating rink have announced that they will give a big masquerade in the near future and all wishing to participate should get their costumes ready, as it will be given with very little notice, because the weather man does not seem to be with the skaters long enough in their favor to permit announcing it very far ahead.

Everything at the rink is in readiness to accommodate the crowds and as soon as the weather permits, skaters will enjoy themselves both day and night as the rink has been electric lighted.

There have been some complaints on account of this being a municipal rink in which the ice is not in the very best of shape at all times, but skaters should remember that Brainerd has had the worst weather encountered in years, and that it takes more than an hour or two to clear off a large rink like the one at Boom lake after a heavy snow or wind storm.

"Don't be discouraged," says the management. "We are going to have some good skating weather yet. Get your costumes ready for the masquerade."

HON. M. ENDERSTEDT

Will Lecture on "The Sweden of Today" at Best Theatre Tonight. Is a guest at dinner attended by newspaper men.

WANT MORE LIGHT

Project to Extend Lighting System up to Backus-Motley Road as Far as Walker

The Walker Pilot says the Cuyuna Range Power company with a big dam at Pillager would like to run a line up the Backus-Motley road taking in all the farm houses along the route, Walker, Akeley, State Sanatorium, Onigum and possibly some other towns, and adds: "We give this information for what it is worth because it is all Dame Rumor told us. It wouldn't make much difference in Walker where the power would come from but it certainly would be welcome to a great many in town if we could get day service as well as night. We opine the time isn't far off when it will practically be a necessity. The day of electricity is here and Walker shouldn't be in the last ranks."

FEDERAL ROAD AID

Federal Aid to State Highways Will Not Apply to Main Roads Connecting County Seats

Federal aid for state highways will be applied only to main roads connecting county seats, according to a fixed policy adopted by the State Highway commission at its December meeting in the Shubert building.

The commission now is prepared to consider apportionment with county boards. The payment of state aid balances to counties that have complied with conditions was authorized by the board.

CHANGED THE DATE

All-Minnesota Development Association Will Meet at the Old Capitol on Jan. 18 and 19

The date of the annual meeting of the All-Minnesota Development association has been changed from January 5 and 6 to January 18 and 19, and the meeting place from University Farm to the Old Capitol, St. Paul.

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STATE CONFERENCE ON TAX MATTERS

Senator George H. Gardner of Brainerd, Has Plans for Advisory Tax Commission

CONFERENCES TO BE HELD

Chairman of Boards of County Commissioners to be Members of the Body, Pay Own Expenses

The St. Paul Pioneer Press gives a half a column space to the state conference on taxation plan of Senator George H. Gardner, of this city. The article states:

A movement has been started by Senator George H. Gardner of Brainerd, for the organization of a state conference on taxation among representative men from all part of the state during the session of the legislature, probably late in February.

The proposal is for a series of conferences to aid the legislature in bringing about important and necessary changes in Minnesota laws relating to taxation, as explained by Senator Gardner. It is planned to ask the board of commissioners in each county in the state to designate its chairman and one or more additional members to represent the county.

Members must pay their own expenses attending the conference in St. Paul, it is explained, but the good expected to result from the movement to the state and all taxpayers will provide ample compensation to public-spirited men, in the opinion of the organizers.

Although the main purpose of the proposed organization is not clear to state officials advised of the movement, the general assumption was that its inception was in the desire in some quarters for laws apportioning the tax on railroad gross earnings among Minnesota municipalities.

New York, Michigan, Kansas and some other state, however, have tax conferences that have promoted public interest in taxation subjects and it was rated possible that the Minnesota conference will be along similar lines. Minnesota has been without an advisory tax conference since 1904 when the Minnesota Tax league passed out of existence. That organization was headed by Judge O. M. Hall of Red Wing, one of the members of the first state tax commission created about that time, and its membership included also J. G. Armson, Stillwater, a state tax commissioner now.

POSTOFFICE HOURS

On New Years Day Will be the Same as Christmas—No Delivery Will be Made on that Day

The postoffice will observe the same hours on New Year's day that it did on Christmas, but there will be no delivery on that day either by city or rural carriers. The general delivery windows will be open between the hours of 9 and 10 a. m. and those who get their mail by carrier will also be able to get it at the postoffice by calling on the carrier between those hours.

The lobby of the office will be open all day for the accommodation of box renters. No money order business will be transacted.

There will be no delivery of mail except through boxes at the postoffice on Sunday.

WATCH NIGHT SERVICE

There Will be a Watch Night Service and Program Sunday Evening at the Presbyterian Church

A watch night service will be held at the Presbyterian church on Sunday evening beginning at 10 o'clock at which the Bethlehem Lutheran church, Salvation Army and Presbyterian church will join in a union meeting. A most excellent program has been arranged and services are scheduled to begin at 10 o'clock sharp. The general subject will be "Positive Christianity."

Stopped Children's Croup Cough

"Three weeks ago two of my children choking and coughing, and I as whey were having an attack of croup," writes Billie Mayberry, Eckert, Ga. "I got a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar and gave them a dose before bedtime. Next morning their cough and all sign of croup was gone." H. P. Dunn, druggist. mwf

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES DUE IN 1917

The Dispatch will publish from time to time the list of personal property taxpayers of Crow Wing county and of the city of Brainerd. The compilation of the list takes some time, as it affords every taxpayer the opportunity to see what his friend or his next door neighbor is paying.

These taxes are due and payable January 1. On and after March 1 a penalty of 10 percent attaches to delinquent payments. Many in Brainerd take pride in being among the first to pay their taxes.

ALLEN	
Atwood, F. P.	5.13
Buchite, Sam	.13
Gaarder, Niels	8.19
Jenkins, W. H.	23.02
Jenkins, Geo. B.	4.73
Nels, N. A.	.46
Johnson, Fred F.	5.68
BAXTER.	
Anderson, Andrew	5.65
Aubin, E.	3.62
Barrett, Charles	6.68
Barett, Wallace	5.26
Barrett, Zachary	3.77
Frederickson, C. J.	2.90
Johnson, Arthur	.07
Johnson, Emil	8.70
Kinney, James	2.32
Kinney, Marion	3.33
Jackson, Erwin	1.35
Lease, Claude	5.40
Livingston, R. R.	10.90
Lyon, Chas.	.26
Marohn, A. H.	2.49
Marohn, J. L.	1.04
Mason, S. D.	.23
Schultz, R. G.	.20
Security Natl. Loan Co.	2.90
Spies, Amanda	3.78
Stroch, Frank	5.48
Wilcox, Gerdon	1.74
Wolda, F. J.	3.42
BRAINERD.	
Adair, S. R.	12.21
Adair, George	4.82
Adams, Carl	13.07
Allbright, C. A.	10.02
Alderman, S. F.	16.33
Alderman & Clark	6.74
Alden, Abe	1.37
Alexander, J. C.	3.10
Allen, Albert C.	1.63
Allguer, Miss V. H.	2.97
Allguer, Herman	5.16
American Gas & Const. Co.	66.01
Anderson, Mrs. H.	2.62
Anderson, Alfred	.82
Anderson, Andrew	.56
Anderson, Mrs. John	1.42
Anderson, Ole C.	1.03
Anderson, J. W.	1.16
Anderson, Fred	6.45
Anderson, Edwin	17.25
Anderson, P. T.	3.10
Anderson, Albert O.	1.29
Anderson, C. A.	.47
Anderson, A. G.	2.58
Anderson, Martin	1.68
Anderson, Peter	2.06
Anderson, J.	2.15
Anderson, A. N.	1.33
Anderson, C. O.	1.38
Anderson, Andrew	1.20
Anderson, Gust	.77
Anderson, Mrs. C.	1.03
Anderson, Christ	3.40
Anderson, A. L.	2.97
Anderson, J. P.	4.90
Anderson, J. T.	1.93
Anderson, Hans	2.02
Anderson, Andrew B.	1.08
Anderson, Carl J.	1.38
Angel, Albert	65.97
Anderson, Louise	8.60
Apgar, A. P.	5.68
Arbes, Elizabeth	4.43
Armstrong B. S.	1.33
Arnold, Sophia L.	2.15
Arnold, Maggie	81.13
Ascalon Commandery No. 16	4.50
Atherton, A.	.65
Aurora Lodge No. 100 A. F. & A. M.	21.84
Austin, R. B. Jr.	.30

Coughed Fifteen Years

Coughs that hang on and grow worse in the night are relieved by Foley's Honey and Tar. R. F. Hall, Mabe, Va., writes: "For 15 years I was afflicted with a troublesome bronchial cough and irritation of the throat. Foley's Honey and Tar relieved me; and after taking one bottle the cough ceased." H. P. Dunn, druggist—Advt. mwf

CROW WING COUNTY CATTLE

2,400 Head Were Sold Last Year and Commanded a Good Price, Averaging $40 a Head

BARNS ARE FULL OF THEM

Silos are Now an Indispensable Part of the Equipment of Every Farm in County

Crow Wing county is looming to the front as a cattle raising territory. In the past year 2,400 head were marketed and the average price received was $40 a head.

The barns of the county are full of sleek stock and the animals are good grade beef cattle and many are registered stock.

Silos are now considered an indispensable part of the equipment of every farm. Outside buyers are many. Local buyers are T. E. Welch and H. C. Zierke.

The outlook is good for for a big year in the cattle industry, with many Iowa and Illinois farmers coming to Crow Wing county to take up grazing lands and carve out stock farms.

BRAINERD'S ODDEST STORIES TODAY

In a burst of confidence a girl told us this: "Many a girl marries the wrong man because the right man failed to propose."

These are the days when the cold begins to strengthen and the coal bills to lengthen.

One receives two kinds of letters these days. The welcome ones are headed "Enclosed please find check." The other kind start out with "We beg to remind you that your account—"

A Chicago woman broaches the plan of having married women get a regular salary from their husbands.

A Christmas dry as a bone and a New Year the same. Not a headache or a groan, all toasts as dry as toast.

J. H. Dickinson, who has a store at Nokay Lake, froze his nose four times this morning driving to town. The Ford truck was put in the garage and the 20 horsepower machine had its place taken by a two horse team and Mr. Dickinson's nose froze in consequence.

Three couples tried to get marriage licenses this week (this is the end of the Leap Year season, you know), and the clerk had to turn them down because the prospective bride was not a resident of Crow Wing county in each one of the three cases.

F. R. Dennie owned the Ford which went up in smoke. The car did not backfire. The engine was running as the car stood wrapped up in the woods and it got overheated, standing there for some time, the robe caught on fire and the car was set on fire.

SUES FOR DIVORCE

Frank J. Infelt, of Crosby, Says His Wife Deserted Him on Sept. 18, 1914

Frank J. Infelt, of Crosby, has sued his wife, Grace Marie Infelt, for divorce, alleging she deserted him on Sept. 18, 1914. He is 31 and she is 29 years old. They were married in Brainerd on March 5, 1913 and lived together 14 months.

F. A. Lindbergh, of Crosby, is attorney for Mr. Infelt.

DISPATCH ADS PAY

BIG NEW YEAR'S BALL AT STAPLES

Staples, Minn., Dec. 29—The big New Year's ball at the opera house will be given by Edwin Harris Bergh from Brainerd, whose large Symphony from Brainerd and Staples will play a concert before the dance. In this orchestra, which contains 50 pieces, are many soloists and a 15 piece orchestra from Brainerd, which will furnish the music for the dance.

MINING GOLD

Juneau, Alaska, is Flourishing, Says James Davison Lately Returned From There

James Davison, lately returned from Juneau, Alaska, says the town and mining company in its vicinity are flourishing. He is employed by the Alaska Juneau Gold Mining Co. and has been in the territory since 1903. The company has an 8,000 ton mill in Juneau and starts work again in March.

The Perseverance mill has a 10,000 ton mill in operation. From Juneau to Sheep Creek a jitney bus service is being operated.

Notice L. O. O. Moose

I will be absent from the city for a short time. Those wishing to pay dues may leave same at Iron Exchange Barber Shop where you will receive credit.

CLIFFORD A. RUSSELL,
176t2 Secretary.

PLUMBERS' GOOD WORK

Sherlund Co. Men Punch Holes Underground and Find Stray Water Pipe 40 Feet Away

In these days of frozen water pipes, plumbers are performing heroic services in working in arctic weather and repairing breaks.

The Sherlund company has two men on the job who are wonders and in a recent job on the south side they sunk but one hole in the frost, and from that as a center located a leak 40 feet away, tunneled 10 feet underground, pulled out the pipe, replaced it with new, threw back all dirt and did it all in short time and to the satisfaction of all concerned.

Killed His Wife in Fit of Grief

(By United Press)

London, Dec. 29 (By Mail)—Richard Cunningham, 34, the lance-corporal who killed his wife in a fit of grief over her betrayal while he was in the trenches today began a sentence of one year under a manslaughter charge. The stern English jury frankly tempered justice with mercy in Cunningham's case in which he unwritten law played a deciding part.

Cunningham, taking his turn in the trenches was tormented by his wife's silence. He seldom heard from her during his first few months with the colors and later her letters ceased altogether. Friends wrote him mentioning a mysterious caller at his home in London. The soldier wrote to local authorities in an effort to learn what had become of his little son but received scant satisfaction in the official replies with their impersonal wording and red-tape.

At the first opportunity Cunningham obtained leave from France and returned home. A few days later the police found him lying unconscious across the dead form of his wife. She had been strangled.

An officer said Cunningham was a high type of soldier without a single black mark against his name in the army records. His former employer gave him a similar good character.

In passing the minimum sentence the jury recommended that the convicted soldier ought not to be compelled to serve his term among common criminals.

DISPATCH WANT ADS PAY

WANTS

HELP WANTED

WANTED—Four girls at the Brainerd Glove factory, 522 N. 3rd St. 313-172?

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—House at 224 N. 9th St., corner Kingwood. Inquire of F. A. Farrar. 300-166tf

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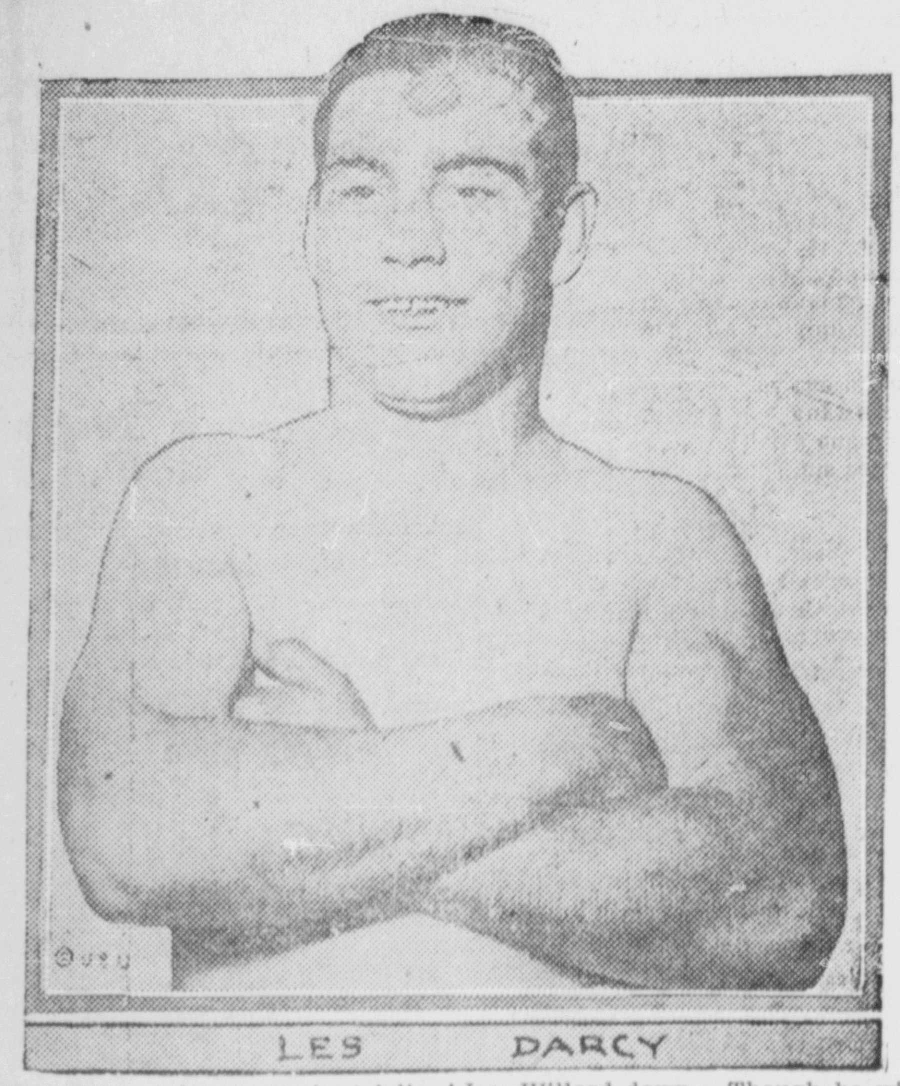
New Zealand has a waterfall, the Sutherland, 1,904 feet high.

A sharper is a keen man with a dull conscience.—Chicago News.

SPORT NEWS

Great Australian Middleweight Is Here



Les Darcy, the great Austrialian middleweight, who stowed away on a vessel bound for Chili and finally arrived in New York aboard a Standard Oil boat from South America, is ready to fight everybody here from Jess Willard down. Though he will probably box at 158 pounds, he wants the first chance at Willard, who fights at about 260. Perhaps he will be matched with Georges Carpentier, if the boxing soldier of France can be brought to the United States.

WAGE WRANGLE AWAITS RULING

Railways and Brotherhoods Are Unable to Agree.

CASE BEFORE SUPREME COORT

Conference at New York Ends When It Becomes Apparent Settlement Is Impossible and Both Sides Await Decision on Constitutionality of Adamson Law.

New York, Dec. 29.—No more attempts will be made by representatives of the railroads and brotherhoods to settle the wage controversy until the supreme court settles the constitutionality of the Adamson act.

This was announced by both sides. The conference here broke up absolutely when it became apparent no agreement could be reached.

The break came, it was learned, when the railroad representatives refused to concede the demands of the brotherhood chiefs for an agreement looking toward the enforcement of the new wage schedule fixed by the Adamson law, which goes into effect Jan. 1.

The brotherhood chiefs held, it was said, that their men had the right to begin drawing wages according to the scale provided by the Adamson law immediately after the law became effective, irrespective of the suits brought by the railroads to test its validity.

A statement issued by Elisha Lee, chairman of the conference committee of railway managers, covered the position assumed by the railroads on this point. The statement said:

"The railroads will await the decision of the supreme court in the Adamson law test case.

"By agreement with the department of justice at Washington the railroads will keep a record from Jan. 1 of the wages of all employes affected by the Adamson law, in order that, if the law is upheld by the court, the employes will receive the extra back pay due them. The rights of the employes in the interval will thus be amply protected."

Mr. Lee denied a bill is being prepared to be offered to congress as a substitute for legislation planned to prevent strikes.

Brotherhood leaders refused to make any statement.

Origin of a Scholarship Fund.

Journalistic exposure of frauds and swindles is nothing new. Seventy-five years ago the London Times exposed a conspiracy to defraud bankers out of a million pounds sterling, many thousands of which had already been obtained. One of the gang later brought a libel suit against the Times and received an award of a farthing damages. A great popular subscription to meet the expense that the newspaper incurred in defending the action brought a goodly sum. The Times, however, refused to accept it, but founded with it two school and hospital scholarships, which are still awarded.—Youth's Companion.

CHAMPION HIGH JUMPER.

An African Antelope That Can Clear More Than Twenty Feet.

The pallah, a species of African antelope, is probably the greatest living high jumper. Travelers have often asserted that this beast could jump more than twenty feet high. Mr. Cottar, an old African hunter, saw a number of these antelopes leap over the tops of some small trees, and then he measured the trees. They were fifteen feet high.

The animals have the curious habit of jumping over one another's backs, either when frightened or when simply playing. It is an ordinary sight on an African veldt to see a herd of these antelope jumping over one another like boys playing leapfrog. When frightened the first impulse of a herd of pallah is to rush together; then they begin leaping, one after another, going high into the air, clearing small trees, their mates, other antelopes or anything else that gets into the way. They do not require a run before the "take off," but jump as well from a standing position as with a running start.

The lion was long supposed to make tremendous bounds when charging his prey, but modern sportsmen say that a lion runs low to the ground, bounding into the air only on his last leap, when he expects to strike. Even such bounds, they say, are of no great length. Stewart Edward White says a lion can run a hundred yards in six seconds, which certainly is fast enough to catch most sorts of game.—Youth's Companion.

Teeth In Their Stomachs.

Whatever it may be that the lobster and the crab, rapacious, never dainty, are eating they always see something else that they want and can't wait until they have masticated the first before attacking the second. But they don't give up the first, not by any manner of means. Nature, humoring this rapacious bent, has fitted the lobster and the crab with teeth in their stomach, and they swallow their half masticated food and finish the chewing process with their stomachs while they seize and chew the other thing that has attracted them. Lobsters and crabs have no teeth in their mouths. They chew with their claws what they have time to and hand the unfinished job down to their stomachs to do the rest of the chewing.

Diplomacy.

"Before we were married," his better half complained, "you always engaged a taxi when you took me anywhere. Now you think the bus or the street car is good enough for me."

"No, my darling, I don't think the bus or the trolley is good enough for you. It's because I'm so proud of you. In a taxi you would be seen by nobody, while I can show you off to so many people by taking you in the bigger conveyance."—Exchange.

Matches can be waterproofed by dipping them in melted paraffin.

The fellow with something to sell should never wear a long face.

To Stop Self-Poisoning

For furred and coated tongue, biliousness, sour stomach, indigestion, constipation and other results of a fermenting and poisoning mass of undigested food in the stomach and bowels, there is nothing better than that old-fashioned physic—Foley Cathartic Tablets. Do not gripe nor sicken; act promptly. H. P. Dunn, druggist.—Advt. mwf

CARRANZA ASKS SOME CHANGES

Wants Modification of Withdrawal Protocol.

AGREEMENT MAY RESULT

American and Mexican Commissioners Will Discuss New Phases and Indications Are That No Serious Barriers Have Arisen.

Washington, Dec. 29.—One more appeal for modification of the protocol providing for the withdrawal of American troops from Mexico is made by General Carranza in a message delivered to Secretary Lane by Luis Cabrera, chairman of the Mexican members of the joint commission.

The Mexican first chief replied to the insistent American demand that the protocol signed by his spokesmen at Atlantic City be ratified, with an 800-word document in which he failed to accede to the demand, but refrained from writing anything that could be construed as a flat repudiation.

The latest suggestions for changes in the agreement will be considered by the three American representatives.

Secretary Lane has asked his colleagues to meet him here as soon as they can conveniently.

Early next week a joint session of the Mexican-American commission will be held when the Americans will give the Mexicans their answer.

Neither Mr. Cabrera nor Secretary Lane would discuss the nature of Carranza's reply.

It was learned the Mexican commissioners are confident no insuperable barrier has been raised by Carranza.

The chief insistence of Carranza has been that the American troops should be withdrawn unconditionally, which the American commissioners would not consider.

There appeared reason to believe one of the conditions to which Carranza objects is that under which he would be obliged to garrison the territory evacuated by the Americans as they marched out.

WILL BE WORST ON RECORD

Locust and Drouth Damaging Argentina's Crop.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Argentina's grain crop this year will be one of the poorest the country ever has seen, due to injury by drouth and locusts. Consular reports say the amount of grain available for export this year will total not more than 1,000,000 tons. Normally 2,500,000 tons are exported.

The rainfall this year has been the smallest in a generation. Pasture lands have failed to support the country's cattle and thousands of head are dying. The Argentine department of agriculture has just obtained from railways special rates so that cattle may be transported into territory where some pasturage still exists.

Cereal prices in the republic are the highest ever known.

EXTRA SESSION POSSIBLE

Decision Depends on Prospects of Peace in Europe.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Whether there will be an extra session of congress after March 4 depends in a large measure upon the prospects of peace in Europe.

Best information is President Wilson will desire to have congress in session if there is any indication between now and the time for the close of the present congress that peace is possible.

Otherwise, it was stated, the administration feels the course of neutrality might be embarrassed by the continuance of the session, with the possibility of debates or measures being injected into the situation which might disturb America's delicate adjustment in international affairs.

WHEAT SCARCE IN HOLLAND

Compulsory Brown Bread Regulation Probable.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Scarcity of wheat flour in Holland has made probable another period of compulsory brown bread and no white bread, as there was for months last spring.

Advices to the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce tell also of reports that universal bread cards will be employed and that consumption will be restricted.

Holland's supply of wheat and flour, it is said, is likely to be exhausted by the delay or loss of wheat laden steamers. Bread prices continue to rise.

Daily Austrian Riots Reported.

London, Dec. 29.—Daily food demonstrations in the chief cities of Austria-Hungary, great misery, with hundreds of suicides during December, were reported in Exchange Telegraph dispatches from Geneva.

Hiram Maxim Estate $165,000.

London, Dec. 29.—Sir Hiram Maxim, the inventor, who died recently, left an estate of $165,000.

LAKES WITH NO OUTLETS.

And Fantastic Mirages That Greet the Desert Traveler.

A playa is a shallow, flat floored depression, characteristic of valleys having no regular drainage to the sea, in which storm waters collect and evaporate. It may be a shallow lake or a salt incrusted mud flat.

In his description of the ancient Lake Lahontan, in Nevada, I. C. Russell writes:

"The scenery on the larger playas is peculiar and is usually desolate in the extreme, but is not without its charm. In crossing these wastes the traveler may ride for miles over a perfectly level floor, with an unbroken sky line before him and not an object in sight to cast a shadow on the ocean-like expanse.

"Mirages, which may be seen almost every day on these heated deserts, give strange fanciful forms to the mountains and sometimes transfigure them beyond recognition. A pack train crossing the desert a few miles distant may appear like some strange caravan of grotesque beasts fording a shallow lake, the shores of which advance as one rides away. The monotony of midday on the desert is thus broken by elusive forms that are ever changing and suggest a thousand fancies, which divert the attention from the fatigues of the journey.

"The cool evenings and mornings in these arid regions, when the purple shadows of distant mountains are thrown across the plain, have a charm that is unknown beneath more humid skies, and the profound stillness of the night in these solitudes is always impressive." — United States Geological Survey.

ANCIENT BANQUETS.

Cleopatra Didn't Have to Spend Much, For Things Were Cheap.

We hear a great deal about the luxury and extravagance of Cleopatra, the queen of the Nile, and of the gorgeous feasts she and Mark Antony had together, yet these little dinners and suppers for two cost Cleopatra only about 4 shillings, with wine and attendance.

If Cleopatra had lived in these times she could not possibly get a supper at 2 shillings a head, with waiter and wine included.

In those days a large jar of wine cost only 4 shillings, and this probably lasted a long time. A pigeon was dear at 2½ pence, and a quantity of vegetables which lasted for months could be bought for about 8 shillings.

Slaves were easy enough to get, and their dress was so scanty that liveries couldn't have been expensive.

Cleopatra once went in for a very costly drink. She melted a priceless pearl in a glass of wine and presented it to Mark Antony. But the queen of Egypt did not go in for such extravagances every night.

Nero, the tyrannical emperor of the Romans, famed for his extravagant, luxurious living, who gave twenty-two course dinners, where the guests reclined on ivory and silver couches and dipped their fingers into finger bowls which contained costly wines, did not spend nearly so much on feasting as many modern millionaires.—London Answers.

Hay Seeds For Confetti.

Weddings in China are arranged by "go-betweens"—usually the busy old gossips of the district—who get a commission on the amount paid by the bridegroom to the father of the bride. On the wedding day the bride is clad in red and carried in a Sedan chair covered with red. Anybody has a right to turn back the chair curtains and take a look at her. Her hair is elaborately oiled, and so all the other girls throw hayseeds at her, which stick. On reaching the home of her husband the bride has to submit to the candid criticisms of the entire family. The strange wedding ceremony consists in the husband and wife eating rice from each other's bowl. Of course there is a feast, but it does not cost much, for every guest is expected to contribute something.

Discussing a Verb.

As an intransitive verb to "materialize" will no doubt be pilloried by purists as an undesirable alien, but with little effect, for it has long since been commandeered for useful service, though it has not yet gained scholastic support. Like the verb to wire, now in general use, this particular intransitive no doubt comes from America, where it is common to "fix up" an appointment with some one who may "fail to materialize" or wait for a conveyance that misbehaves itself in a similar way.—London Chronicle.

The Mexican War.

If the histories are to be believed the Mexicans during their war with this country in 1846-7 did not win a single battle, notwithstanding the fact that in nearly every encounter the Americans were outnumbered from 2 to 1 to 5 to 1.—New York American.

No Trust.

"Then you won't sell me the place on time?"

"No."

"And you call this a trust company? Bah!"—Louisville Courier-Journal.

One Reason Why, Perhaps.

"The world keeps moving."

"Yes, but the world doesn't have to go house hunting and admit to a landlord that it has children."—Detroit Free Press.

Caustic.

Peter (lovingly)—My wife made me what I am. Philip (cuttingly)—Have you forgiven her yet?

SENATE IS NOT YET VERY ACTIVE

Will Get Busy When Bigger Bills Come Up.

UNIVERSAL MILITARY SERVICE

While There Is Still Strong Demand For It, Opinion Prevails Country Generally Would Not Take Kindly to Such Step—Money For Maintenance of Border Troops.

By ARTHUR W. DUNN.

Washington, Dec. 29.—[Special.]—That the senate was not ready to do much business in the early part of the session has been shown by the manner in which it has been putting in time. In the first place, considerable time was given to the corrupt practices bill, which was finally returned to the committee to be remodeled. Then came the immigration bill, a measure which it is believed will not become a law at this session. Even after it passes it will be vetoed unless President Wilson has changed his mind since a bill embodying almost the same provisions was sent to him. That it cannot pass over his veto is generally conceded. Then there is the bill for prohibition in the District of Columbia. It is very doubtful if that bill can pass by itself, although it might be passed as a part of the District appropriation bill. All these bills were talked about in the senate, which shows an indication to kill time.

More Important Measures.

The senate will be more active when the more important measures are reached. The railroad legislation to carry out the president's recommendations will come under that head; also any legislation which may be intended to reduce the present high cost of living. As to that subject, no one seems quite ready with any practical plan, one which not only will pass congress, but will do some good. It is expected that some action will be taken along this line before the session ends.

Military Training.

There is still a strong demand for universal military training, soldiers so trained to form a reserve for the army. That is too big a proposition to pass in a short session of congress. More than that, our people will not take kindly to any such measure unless they are shown a greater necessity than is now apparent. It is well to remember that President Wilson found it necessary to tour the country and warn the people of the imminent danger of the United States—from some power not yet named—before he could put through his army and navy preparedness plan of last session. Before the people will consent to universal military service they will again have to be urged in as strong terms by the president.

More Money Needed.

The indications are that as long as the troops are kept on the border more money will be needed than present revenues will supply. Just how the money is to be raised no one seems to know, but there is talk of a bond issue. In these times of great money making it seems rather strange that the richest government of the world must resort to bond issues to pay its expenses. Perhaps Uncle Sam is like some of the others and not sharing in the war prosperity.

Almost at an End.

The explanations of the recent election are almost at an end. A few men can get others to listen to them while they tell how it happened, but as a general thing a man will lose his audience as soon as he begins to talk about the election of 1916. Hereafter the result will be discussed more as a matter of reference than in the way of explanation. Not long ago several Republicans were talking about the election and were interrupted by Congressman Sherley of Kentucky, who remarked:

"Oh, forget it!"

Stopping the War.

Although many members of congress are rather anxious to have the war in Europe end, it is not likely that either house will take the initiative in passing resolutions relating to that subject. The general opinion is that President Wilson will take the first opportunity that offers to bring about peace and that he will know long before members of congress whether such a proposition would be acceptable to the warring nations. Resolutions will be introduced and there will be peace speeches by individual members, but congress as a whole will keep its hands off foreign affairs.

Mexico Not an Issue.

Mexico is not such an issue as if it was in the days before adjournment. The opinion seems to be that, among other things which the election settled, was that the people did not want intervention and consequent war with Mexico. Had the Republicans won the election we might have heard criticism of the Mexican policy.

Third Term Denial.

Henry M. Pindell of Peoria, Ill., who once gained considerable fame as a possible ambassador to Russia, is the first man to say that President Wilson does not desire a third term. He said he did not think that Mr. Wilson would permit his friends to urge his nomination for a third term because it is against the established principle for any man to have a third term.

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MAY BE NEW GERMAN RAIDER

Believed Liner Was Captured by U-Boat and Armed.

New York, Dec. 29.—That the liner Voltaire, long overdue from Liverpool, has been captured by a German submarine, armed and turned into a raider, is a report here.

Twelve days after the Voltaire left Liverpool wireless warnings of a new Teuton raider on the high seas were flashed to British ships by the admiralty.

Acetylene and Air.

In a mixture with air the smallest amount of acetylene capable of propagating flame is 2.53 per cent and the largest amount is about 73 per cent, according to tests for the United States bureau of mines. Unmixed with air acetylene is explosive under a pressure of three to five atmospheres when an electrical spark is passed through it or when a platinum spiral is heated in it. Calcium carbide in a mine brings little risk when the material is carefully handled.

GRAIN AND PROVISION PRICES

Duluth Wheat and Flax.

Duluth, Dec. 28.—Wheat—On track and to arrive, No. 1 hard, $1.79⅜; No. 1 Northern, $1.73⅜@1.78⅜; No. 2 Northern, $1.68⅜@1.73⅜. Flax—On track and to arrive, $2.86½.

St. Paul Grain.

St. Paul, Dec. 28. — Wheat — No. 1 hard, $1.78⅛@1.83⅓; No. 1 Northern $1.75⅛@1.81⅛; No. 2 Northern, $1.71⅛@1.76⅛; No. 2 Montana hard, $1.70⅛@1.72⅛; corn, 87@87½c; oats, 49¼@49¾c; barley, 77c@$1.10; rye, $1.30@1.31; flax, $2.87.

South St. Paul Live Stock.

South St. Paul, Dec. 28. — Cattle—Receipts, 1,100; steers, $5.50@8.90; cows and heifers, $5.50@7.00; calves, $9.00@11.25; stockers and feeders, $4.50@7.75. Hogs—Receipts, 4,300; range, $9.80@10.10. Sheep—Receipts, 400; lambs, $7.25@13.00; wethers, $6.00@9.00; ewes, $6.50@8.50.

Chicago Grain and Provisions.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Wheat—Dec., $1.65; May, $1.73; July, $1.39. Corn—Dec., 91½c; May, 92½c; July, 91⅞c. Oats—Dec., 49¾c; May, 53⅜c; July, 51c. Pork—Jan., $27.20; May, $26.80. Butter—Creameries, 34@38½c. Eggs—36@38c. Poultry—Springs, 18½c; fowls, 17½@18c; turkeys, 23c.

Minneapolis Grain.

Minneapolis, Dec. 28.—Wheat—Dec., $1.75⅝; May, $1.78⅝; July, $1.71⅛. Cash close on track: No. 1 hard, $1.78⅛@1.83⅛; No. 1 Northern, $1.75⅛@1.78⅛; No. 2 Northern, $1.71⅛@1.76⅛; No. 3 Northern, $1.63⅛@1.73⅛; No. 3 yellow corn, 87@87½c; No. 3 white oats, 49¼@49¾c; flax, $2.87.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Cattle—Receipts, 12,000; steers, $7.20@11.80; cows and heifers, $4.20@10.00; calves, $8.50@12.25. Hogs—Receipts, 40,000; light, $9.75@10.50; mixed, $10.10@10.70; heavy, $10.20@10.75; rough, $10.20@10.35; pigs, $7.75@9.35. Sheep—Receipts, 10,000; native, $9.10@10.25; lambs, $11.25@13.50.

St. Paul Hay.

St. Paul, Dec. 28.—Hay—Choice timothy, $13.25; No. 1 timothy, $12.50@13.25; No. 1 clover, mixed, $11.50@12.25; No. 1 mixed, different grasses, $11.00@11.25; No. 1 mixed, timothy and wild, $11.00@11.25; choice upland, $12.25; No. 1 upland, $11.50@12.25; No. 1 midland, $8.50@9.25; No. 1 alfalfa, $16.00@16.75.

BEGIN HOT WATER DRINKING IF YOU DON'T FEEL RIGHT

Says glass of hot water with phosphate before breakfast washes out poisons.

If you wake up with a bad taste, bad breath and tongue is coated; if your head is dull or aching; if what you eat sours and forms gas and acid in stomach, or you are bilious, constipated, nervous, sallow and can't get feeling just right, begin inside bathing. Drink before breakfast, a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it. This will flush the poisons and toxins from stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels and cleanse, sweeten and purify the entire alimentary tract. Do your inside bathing immediately upon arising in the morning to wash out of the system all the previous day's poisonous waste, gases and sour bile before putting more food into the stomach.

To feel like young folks feel; like you felt before your blood, nerves and muscles became loaded with body impurities, get from your pharmacist a quarter pound of limestone phosphate which is inexpensive and almost tasteless, except for a sourish twinge which is not unpleasant.

Just as soap and hot water act on the skin, cleansing, sweetening and freshening, so hot water and limestone phosphate act on the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels. Men and women who are usually constipated, bilious, headachy or have any stomach disorder should begin this inside bathing before breakfast. They are assured they will become real cranks on the subject shortly.

BE PRETTY! TURN GRAY HAIR DARK

Try Grandmother's old Favorite Recipe of Sage Tea and Sulphur.

Almost everyone knows that Sage Tea and Sulphur, properly compounded, brings back the natural color and lustre to the hair when faded, streaked or gray. Years ago the only way to get this mixture was to make it at home, which is mussy and troublesome. Nowadays, by asking at any drug store for "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound," you will get a large bottle of this famous old recipe, improved by the addition of other ingredients, for about 50 cents.

Don't stay gray! Try it! No one can possibly tell that you darkened your hair, as it does it so naturally and evenly. You dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning the gray hair disappears, and after another application or two, your hair becomes beautifully dark, glossy and attractive.

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